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Applicant : Elliott Bennett-Guerrero et al. Art Unit : 1645
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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed September 27, 2001 ("paper 13"), please enter the following amendment.

In the claims:

- A. Please cancel claims 45-46, 50-51, 60, 65, 70-71, and 77, without prejudice.
- B. Please amend claims 44, 47-49, 52-55, 57-59, 61, 64, 66-69, 72-73, 75, 78-85 and 88-93 as directed below.
- C. Please add new claims 101-110 as directed below.

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 44. (Amended) A method of reducing adverse effects of endotoxin in a warm-blooded animal, which comprises administering to the warm-blooded animal an effective amount of a composition comprising rough, complete-core lipopolysaccharide (LPS) antigens of at least two G[g]ram negative [bacterium] bacterial strains, each of said strains having a classification independently selected from the following classifications: *E. coli*; *Pseudomonas*; *Klebsiella*; *Salmonella*; and *Bacteroides*.

47. (Amended) The method of claim 44 in which the composition comprises killed whole cells of said bacterial strains.

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